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*Variable Rate Particle Counter
and Method of Use*

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 3, before "The" insert the following paragraph - *This application*

A' is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/225,937, filed January 6, 1999. -

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-17.